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The Associates of the National Agricultural Library, Inc.
Beltsville, Maryland 20705

NEWSLETTER NO. 1

April 1971

The Associates

A group of friends met October 8, 1969 at the National Agricultural Library to plan for a formal association of persons and institutions interested in the growth and development of the Library. The objectives of the Associates are to encourage donation of gifts and desirable collections, to provide direct financial assistance for the purchase of unusual items and to aid in public relations by informing the community about the Library's services and problems, and communicating the needs of the community to the Library's staff.

The Associates were incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, September 23, 1970. Application has been made to the Internal Revenue Service for tax exempt status. In order to conform to IRS requirements, the original articles of incorporation are in process of amendment. Tax exempt status has been granted by the State of Maryland.

Officers pro tem of The Associates are:

Angelina Carabelli, president

Mildred Benton, vice-president

Earl Copus, treasurer

Leila Moran, secretary

Jeff Dykes has served as our very able membership chairman.

Significant Gifts

North
Collection

The papers of the late Dr. Charles E. North (1869-1961) were deposited in the National Agricultural Library November 21, 1969. The collection contains patents on processes and devices, notes of research, and letters dealing with a variety of subjects spanning the first half of the twentieth century.

Schoening
Collection

A collection of books, personal correspondence, manuscripts and other memorabilia was received from the estate of the late Dr. Harry W. Schoening, a former Director of the Veterinary Pathology Branch of the Animal Disease and Parasite Research Division, Agricultural Research Service.

Gwin
Collection

The poultry library of Dr. James M. Gwin is the first to be accepted under the terms of recent legislation (PL91-591) enabling the Secretary of Agriculture to receive gifts on behalf of the National Agricultural Library. This is an extensive and authoritative collection of publications, including catalogs, posters and trade association materials, as well as books.

Annual Luncheon Meeting

Our first annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 1971 at the National Agricultural Library. This date has been selected to coincide with the formal presentation of the James M. Gwin Collection. The presentation is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on the south lawn (on the 14th floor in the event of rain). Honored guests will include Dr. James

M. Gwin, the Hon. Clifford Hardin, Secretary of Agriculture, and Senator Robert Dole (R-Kan.) and Representative Fred Schwengel (R-Iowa) co-sponsors of the gift legislation. Members of the Associates are cordially invited to attend this ceremony.

The annual luncheon is scheduled for 12:00 p.m. in Room 1400 of the National Agricultural Library Building and will be followed by a business meeting. Costs for this first annual meeting are being met from our treasury. In order to keep these costs at a minimum, it will be necessary to know the exact number of attendees. Please fill out the form below and return it to the Secretary pro tem no later than April 23, 1971.

Miss Leila Moran
Secretary, pro tem
The Associates of the National
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I plan to attend:

_____ Formal presentation of the James M. Gwin Collection.
_____ Annual luncheon and business meeting.

(Signature)

